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FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN, INVITATION NO. 17 ANNOUNCEMENT PY-249

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell frozen cooked diced chicken meat produced from fowl as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, March 18. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, March 22. Deliveries are to be made from May 1 to May 15.

As announced by the Department on August 27, 2001, purchases of diced chicken produced from light fowl meat will continue to help alleviate economic pressures experienced by producers and bring supplies more in balance with market demand. Product must be produced under the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated July 1999, as amended; **however, the diced chicken must be produced from light fowl (4.5 pounds or less) meat.**

Offers are invited from the trade for frozen cooked diced chicken meat, produced from ready-to-cook fowl (a class of mature female chickens), packed in four 10-pound (4.54 kg) packages to a net weight of 40 pounds (18.14 kg) in each shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,000 shipping containers totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-249, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated July 1999, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-249, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY249
INVITATION : 017
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 21 CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN
PACK SIZE : 40 40 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)

DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/02 - 05/15/02				
001	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	EAST HAVEN	CT	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
002	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	28,000
	BUFFALO	NY	TRUCK ONLY	12,000
003	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	30,000
	EAST SYRACUSE	NY	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
004	PLAINFIELD	VT	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	WINTERPORT	ME	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
005	WINTER HAVEN	FL		40,000
006	ATLANTA	GA	TRUCK ONLY	30,000
	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
007	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	GRAY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
008	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
009	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
010	COLUMBUS	OH	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	LOGAN	OH	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
011	EAU CLAIRE	WI	TRUCK ONLY	16,880
	MADISON	WI	TRUCK ONLY	23,120

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012	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
013	CONCORDIA	KS	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	DENVER	CO	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
014	LONG BEACH	CA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
015	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
016	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
017	PORTLAND	OR	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
018	SEATTLE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	20,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 720,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 720,000

Catherine V. Smith
Contracting Officer

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